State BEARFACTS 1992 – 2002 Montana

The population of Montana in 2002 was 910,282. Its rank was 44th in the nation.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Montana had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$25,068. This PCPI ranked 45th in the United States and was 81 percent of the national average, \$30,821. The 2002 PCPI reflected an increase of 1.6 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Montana was \$16,867 and ranked 44th in the United States. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 4.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 4.0 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Montana had a total personal income (TPI) of \$22,818,994*. This TPI ranked 45th in the United States. In 1992 the TPI of Montana was \$13,928,172* and ranked 46th in the United States. The 2002 TPI reflected an increase of 2.1 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 5.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.2 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and total personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Montana. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 61.6 percent of TPI (compared with 61.4 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 21.8 percent (compared with 22.2 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 16.6 percent (compared with 16.4 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings increased 2.1 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 0.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.1 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 5.1 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.2 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Montana increased from \$15,580,896* in 2001 to \$15,973,186* in 2002, an increase of 2.5 percent. The 2001-2002 national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of \$9,843,120* to the 2002 estimate was 5.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the nation was 5.4 percent.

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^{*}Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.